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FLUIDIZED-BED GASIFICATION
METHOD AND APPARATUS

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents,
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of March 23, 2000, the period for response to which having been extended by three months to September 23, 2000, please amend the above identified U.S. Patent application as follows:

IN THE ABSTRACT

Please amend the abstract as follows:

Line 3, delete "The present invention relates to a method and apparatus for".

Line 4, change "gasifying combustibles" to --Combustibles-- and after "wastes" insert --are gasified--.

Line 5, after "furnace" delete "51" and after "region" delete "59".

Line 9, after "region" delete "59".

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